Financial Assistance for Family Welfare Programmes to Andhra Pradesh

1419. SHRI SOLIPETA RAMACHANDRA REDDY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of financial assistance provided to Andhra Pradesh for the family welfare programmes during the last three years, year-wise;

(b) the details of the amount utilized on the programmes during the said period, year-wise;

(c) whether there is any proposal under consideration to provide more funds to Andhra Pradesh in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and by when it would be released?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C.P. THAKUR): (a) and (b) The details of grant-in-aid released to the State of Andhra Pradesh for the Family Welfare Programme during the last three years is at Statement-I (*See* below) and the whole aid released has been utilized under the activities for which it was released.

In addition to the above, funds were also released to the State of Andhra Pradesh for specific activities/programmes like Reproductive and Child Health Project, Area Project, etc. The details of amounts released and utilized are at Statement-II (*See* below).

(c) and (d) Under the State Action Plan, assistance from European Commission amounting to Rs. 2.00 crore has been released to Andhra Pradesh for constitution of State Sector Reform Cell and District Health and Family Welfare agency in Khamman and Nalgonda districts. It includes engagement of institutional consultants and execution of contracts. This is a rolling plan and funds for each year would be approved on the basis of benchmarks. This is apart from contraceptives (Copper-T, Condom, Oral Contraceptive Pills) and equipment (Laparascopes, tubal rings and No Scalpel Vasectomy instruments) being provided to Andhra Pradesh in kind under Government of India's free supply and social marketing programme.

Statement II

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Grants-in-aid released to Andhra Pradesh during 1998-99 to 2000-01

Sl No	Year		Dist.		Taluk	Rural F.W. Service		Urban F.W. Service		CSSM	RCL Compre-	IEC	Anm	Sanit-	Anims	Cold	Total	Supplies	Grand
		Admn	Trg of ANM/ LHV	Trg of HA/FW Trg Centres (Male)	Rural F.W. MPWs	Sub-Centre	VHSNP Prog. at Sub-centre level	F.W. Centres	Urban Dist Level	PFal project	hensive project	sation	MEM in States	Proces sation	Beds	Chain Equip-ment	(Cash) (Grants)	(Kind)	Total (Cash+ Kind
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)		(17)	(18)	(19)
1	1998-99	47639	12700	9648	107000	1089600	1187500	109600	33615	28811	20866	73262	33022	189949	5322	11200	9485	330000	1465279	256141	1694420
2	1999-2000	65379	20000	12600	147000	2700400	2776500	109600	37500	25000	29600	98325	7900	175637	7290		9485	658717	1001	1660039	302331	1962370
3	2000-01	64000	20000	66.55	134500	2693400	3000000	52000	36600	25600	29000		8536	195936	7712		9485	795569		1795569	369896	2082595

Amount released to Andhra Pradesh specific schemes during 1998-99 to 2000-2001

(Rs. in crore)

Name of Scheme/ Programme	Amount released			Amount utilised		
	1998-99	1999-2000	2000-01	1998-99	1999-2000	2000-01
RCH Programme	28.28	41.34	38.74	25.13	32.48	27.42
RCH Sub-Projects	—	2.50	5.00	0.66*	2.40	4.18
Area Projects	1.12	4.00	40.00	—	2.50	5.00
Social Marketing of Contraceptives	—	—	1.37	—	—	1.37

* Previous year's balance with State Government.

Apathy towards Paediatric Surgery

†1420. SHRI BALKAVI BAIRAGI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there are only one thousand Paediatric Surgeons in the country;

(b) whether it is also a fact that various medical institutions have expressed their concern over the indifferent attitude of Government towards paediatric surgery in the country and on the lack of awareness among people in this regard; and

(c) if answer to parts (a) and (b) above be in the affirmative, the effective steps being taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C.P. THAKUR): (a) There are 22 institutions in the country conducting M. Ch. (Paediatric Surgery) course with an annual intake of around 50 admissions. Besides, the National Board of Examinations is also conducting course in Paediatric Surgery and awarding degrees to the students trained in the accredited hospitals. There is, however, no definite information available with regard to the actual number of Paediatric Surgeons in the country as the Medical Council of India and the State Medical Councils make only one time registration of Medical Practitioners after they pass MBBS course.

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.